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Title: STENTED RADIALY EXPANDABLE TUBULAR  
PTFE GRAFTS

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **40**]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC §113) [Total Pages ] (Figs. 1-)
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- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR §1.63(d))
- i. ☒ **(Note Box 5 below)**  
**DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. ☒ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked.) entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program
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8. ☐ Assignment Papers with recordation sheet ( pages)
9. ☐ 37 CFR §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
10. ☐ English Translation Document
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
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CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATION
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	80 -20=	60	X \$18 =	\$1080
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3 -3=	0	\$84 =	\$0
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR §1.16(d))			+ \$ 280 =	\$ 0
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- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR §1.16
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